

2004 ELECTION CALENDAR

FOR ALL OFFICES ELECTED IN MAY

FOR DETAILS, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEB SITE: WWW.SBE.STATE.VA.US
AND VIEW THE CANDIDATE BULLETIN SPECIFIC TO THE OFFICE SOUGHT

ELECTION TYPE	ELECTION DATE	⁴ DEADLINES (PERIODS) FOR FILING			LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE	DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT
		² CANDIDATE DECLARATIONS/ PETITIONS	² OTHER CANDIDATE FORMS	³ PARTY CHAIRS CERTIFY CANDIDATES		
¹ Primary	February 10	November 25, 2003 noon to December 12, 2003 5:00 pm	December 12, 2003 5:00 p.m.	December 17, 2003 5:00 p.m.	January 12 5:00 p.m.	By Mail: February 5 In Person: February 7
PARTY NOMINATIONS, OTHER THAN BY PRIMARY ELECTION, MAY BE MADE NO EARLIER THAN JANUARY 9 AND MUST BE COMPLETED BY 7:00 P.M., FEBRUARY 10.						
² General	May 4	NON-PARTY CANDIDATES March 2 7:00 p.m.	ALL CANDIDATES March 2 7:00 p.m.	February 17 (February 16 is a Holiday) 5:00 p.m.	April 5 5:00 p.m.	By Mail: April 29 In Person: May 1

¹Permitted **ONLY** in cities and towns whose charters do not prohibit partisan elections for council offices. Notification of adoption of primary must be filed with the State Board of Elections by the party chair for the city not sooner than October 23, 2003 nor later than November 12, 2003.

NO PRIMARIES PERMITTED FOR ELECTED SCHOOL BOARDS. Virginia law requires candidates for this office to file as independents. **NO** political party may nominate any candidate for elected school board. However, a political party may endorse a candidate for this office. Candidates for elected school board **must follow** the General Election schedule.

²See Candidate Bulletin for the office sought for specifics as to forms required and where they are filed. The bulletins and forms are available on our website: **WWW.SBE.STATE.VA.US** OR from this office. VOICE: In the Richmond area, 864-8901 - From all other areas: 804-864-8901 - Toll-free: 800-552-9745 - TTY: Toll-free 800-260-3466

³Forms for use in certification will be mailed to Party Chairs by State Board of Elections.

⁴For candidates for special elections to fill vacancies, **the deadline for all candidates** to file all required forms and for political parties to **nominate and certify** nominees is **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2, 2004.**

ON ANY ELECTION DAY - WHETHER GENERAL, PRIMARY, OR SPECIAL - THE POLLS ARE REQUIRED TO OPEN AT 6:00 A.M. AND CLOSE AT 7:00 P.M.